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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS PUBLICIZES CHINESE EMIGRATION TO  
HONG KONG

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1. RECENT UPSURGE OF CHINESE EMIGRATION FROM PRC TO  
HONG KONG CREATES PROPAGANDA OPPORTUNITY TOO TEMPTING FOR  
SOVIET MEDIA TO RESIST. FOREIGN AFFAIRS WEEKLY "NEW TIMES"  
(DECEMBER 7) SEIZES THE OPENING, PLAYING ON TWO THEMES: THE  
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STATUS OF HONG KONG AND THE PURPORTED SUBVERSIVE PURPOSES

SERVED IN SOUTHEAST ASIA BY CHINESE EMIGRATION.

2. ARTICLE TWITS PRC WITH FACT THAT HONG KONG IS "BRITISH COLONY ON CHINESE TERRITORY" AND GOES ON TO DESCRIBE INCREASING FLOW OF LEGAL EMIGRANTS TO HONG KONG IN 1972 AND 1973. IT LINKS THIS FLOW WITH PRC DESIRE TO MAINTAIN DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE IN THE COLONY, NOT IN SENSE THAT EMIGRANTS BEING USED TO PRESSURE LONDON BUT IN CONTEXT OF CHINESE DESIRE TO USE HONG KONG AS BASE FOR DESPATCHING EMIGRANTS TO SEA COUNTRIES. NOTING OVERSEAS BACKGROUND OF MANY EMIGRANTS NOW LEAVING CHINA, ARTICLE CLAIMS SEA COUNTRIES ALARMED OVER ILLEGAL ENTRY OF CHINESE. IT QUOTES ADAM MALIK SPEECH OF JUNE 19, 1973, TO THIS EFFECT AND GOES ON TO SUGGEST THIS IS NEW PEKING MEANS OF SUBVERTING NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES WHILE COURTING THEM DIPLOMATICALLY.

3. COMMENT: NEW TIMES STEERS CLEAR OF PRINCIPLE OF FREE EMIGRATION WHICH IS CURRENT THORN IN SOVIET SIDE. NEITHER DOES IT ACKNOWLEDGE THE PARALLEL WITH EMIGRATION FROM USSR OF JEWISH SOVIET CITIZENS TO ISRAEL OVER ARAB OBJECTIONS. IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE WHETHER IN REACTING TO ARTICLE PEKING EXPLOITS SOVIET VULNERABILITY ON EMIGRATION QUESTION.DUBS

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